

Disaster News Release

Federal Disaster Loans for
Homeowners, Renters and Businesses of all sizes

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MEDIA ADVISORY

SBA DISASTER ASSISTANCE OFFICE IN JEFFERSON COUNTY TO CLOSE

BIRMINGHAM, AL - The U.S. Small Business Administration's (SBA) temporary Jefferson County disaster assistance office located at 5947 Chalkville Mountain Road in Birmingham will close at 6:00 p.m. on Thursday, July 31, 2003, according to SBA Disaster Area Director Michael C. Allen.

"This office was established to aid the victims of the severe storms, tornadoes and flooding that occurred on May 5, 2003, in Alabama," Allen said. "We keep our offices open as long as there appears to be a need for SBA to be there. We've seen almost no one at this location over the past few days. That tells us we've probably met the needs of those interested in SBA assistance."

This temporary disaster assistance office has been open since Monday, May 19. SBA representatives will remain available Monday, July 28 through Thursday, July 31 from 9:00 a.m. until 6:00 p.m.

To date, SBA has approved \$15.6 million in low-interest disaster loans to Alabama homeowners, renters, landlords and business owners affected by this disaster.

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